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Some Practical Reflections on Current Religious Thought

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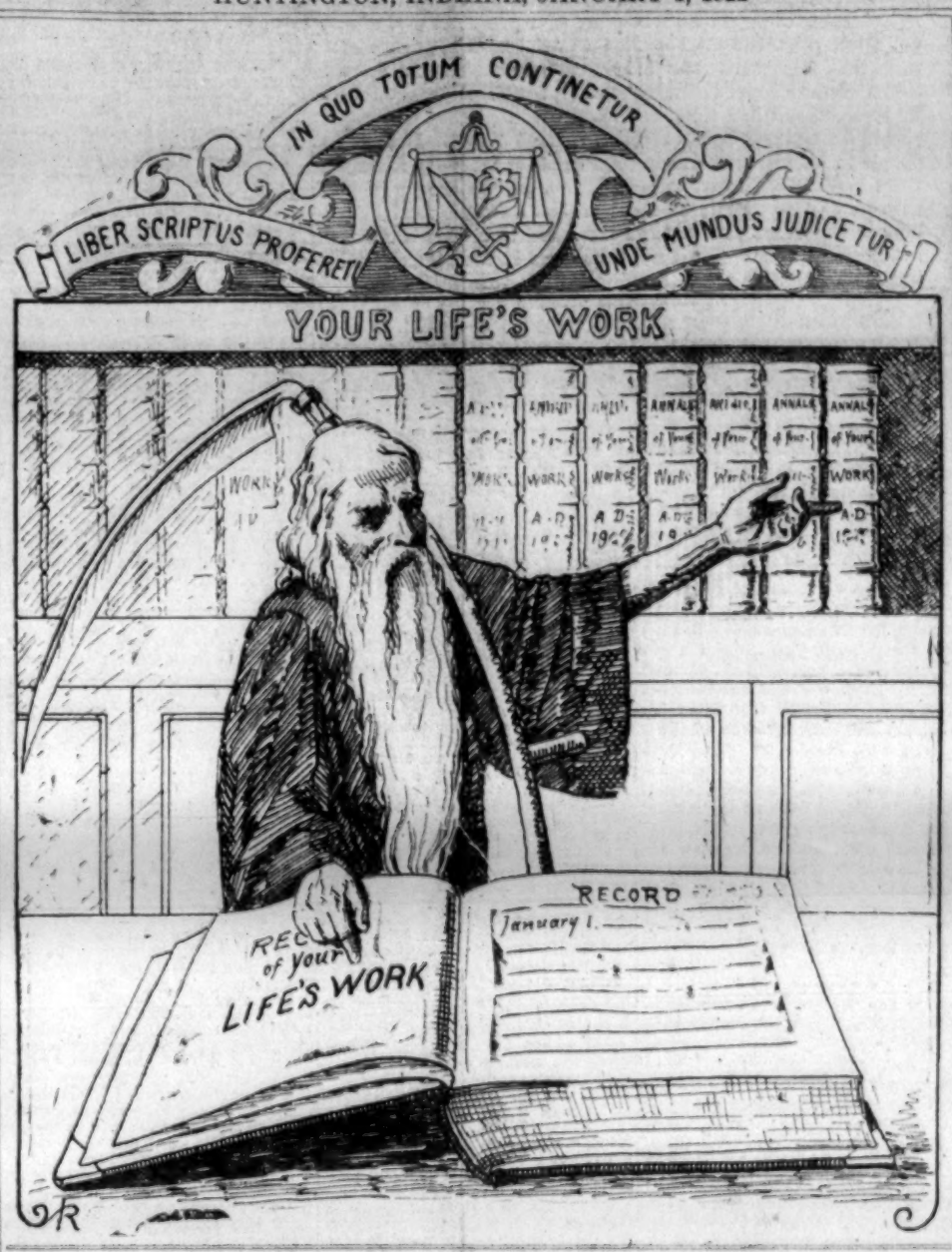
RELIGION AND THE NEW YEAR.

THE artificial and arbitrary division of that portion of eternity which we call Time, has had a deep influence on the minds of men. Most of us live under what has been cleverly called "the tyranny of the clock." Our lives and affairs are limited and defined by the calendar, and Revelation has placed the stamp of approval on our human methods of measuring our brief span of mundane existence, by appointing "times and seasons," and giving to them special and solemn significance.

Although the Ecclesiastical Year differs from the secular, yet it is not unusual for religious people to adopt the excellent custom of observing the beginning of the secular year by reflecting on the conduct of the past year and making resolutions for the new. That the fate of such resolutions is often unfortunate does not at all detract from the value of making them, for to fail is but human, while to aspire is an evidence of the divine life within the distinctly human creatures of God. It is, perhaps, this quality of aspiration which is the distinctive mark of New Year's observances. Certainly this is so in the religious life of the nation, and one cannot scan the many reviews of the religious activities of the old year, the Church almanacs, the annual reports of various societies and organizations the frank admissions of mistake and failure, the equally frank evaluation of successful effort, without realizing that under them all is this note of aspiration, the resolve that the mistakes of the past shall be remedied, the successes enlarged and altogether a fresh start taken. Surely, we say, this New Year, if we are spared to see its end, will find us, both as individuals and as members of this or that religious body, further along the road which leads to God than we are now.

For the earnest Catholic, cleric or lay, such thoughts as these cannot fail to be an inspiration and a spur. No one can contemplate seriously the progress of the Catholic Church in America in recent years without seeing that the note of aspiration has been sounded clear and strong, and that that aspiration has been, and is, centered on one thing only, the Glory of God and the good of souls. Recognition of this fact on the part of those who walk not with us, is increasing if grudgingly. Slowly, but surely, the old monster of bigotry is dying before the onslaught of Truth. Slowly, but surely, the chimera of prejudice is being driven into the lowest haunts of the vile, professional, anti sheet and anti platform where, sooner or later, it is bound to slay itself. The best minds of the country are becoming convinced that the Catholic Church is what she claims to be—"a force which makes for righteousness" whether they can admit the reasons which make her such or not. Even "the man in the street" is beginning to scan more narrowly the calumnies of the professional anti-Catholic, and to demand proofs of his unprovable assertions. Evidence is not lacking of the effect which the revelations of the past year concerning the character of the vilifiers of the Church has had upon the thinking men and women of America. At least one powerful and growing anti-Catholic organization has lost its members by thousands, and more than one notorious anti-Catholic leader has shown himself an unreliable seeker of notoriety and a rash exponent of wild and unverifiable charges. The practical results of the anti-Catholic campaign, eventuating in the murders of three Priests, has shocked and saddened the nation, but more than this, has awakened a widespread distrust of the motives of those who fan the flame which sooner or later breaks forth in lawlessness.

On the other hand, the unequivocal stand which the Hierarchy has taken on economic and social questions has won the respect of thinking and unprejudiced men; the splendid work of Catholic organizations on behalf of the sick, the poor, and the disabled soldier, has wrung words of admiration from all save those who will not admit that any good thing can come out of Catholicism. One dare not cherish the hope that but "a few more years shall roll" before the monster of prejudiced bigotry shall be slain, either by Truth, or by his own convulsive and violent contortions. But at the outset of this New Year, we may well "thank God and take courage" in the knowledge that our "labor is not in vain in the Lord."



New Year's Day 1922 Stop--Look--and Listen

By the Rev. Eugene Sugranes, C.M.F.

MOURNING over the sad plight of the "City of God," Jerusalem, the man who had stood as a pillar of iron and a wall of brass in the midst of confusion and despair, the Prophet of Anathoth, Jeremiah, let drop from his tremulous lips these significant words, pregnant with thought: "With desolation is all the land made desolate, because there is none that considereth in the heart."

While pointing out the fundamental cause of the ruin and destruction of Jerusalem, the Holy Prophet proclaimed a truth of universal scope and application. Ignorance, thoughtlessness have always been the necessary precursors and forerunners of carelessness, recklessness and ruin.

Now every successful business man knows that, like a city pedestrian trying to span a dangerous crossing, once in so often he must stop, look and listen. To borrow a familiar expression, he must "take stock."

This means that he must go through his establishment, find out just what he has on hand, estimate its worth, and actually know where he stands in goods, money and credit.

Stock-Taking Time

The end of the year, or the beginning if you prefer, is the most important stocktaking time, not only for business men in general to check up their merchandise, profits and prospects, but also for all of us, rich and poor, young and old, to check up on ourselves, our strong and weak points.

We are all so constituted as to have our good and bad qualities, our strong and weak points. Thus it behooves all of us to ask ourselves in all truth and sincerity: "Where am I standing?"

It is by thoughtlessness that we become careless and reckless and thus coax and invite misery and ruin to step in. So it is by first thinking and planning that we shall arrive at the goal of ultimate success.

At all events, we must carve out our own career with thought, knowledge and action. We must work out our own salvation and be the captain of our ship. No one else can do it for us. It is our most intimate and personal concern.

Such is the program in a nutshell for us to be guided by and to follow. Most fortunately it is not beyond the reach of any one.

That we may realize our fondest dreams and measure up to our most sanguine expectations, let us by all means acquire that most enviable quality, the stuff of heroes, that thing that stands in our makeup, gets somewhere and holds our whole growth together, like the central trunk in a tree. That thing, that quality is determination.

With that prop and mainstay, at our disposal, we shall stand like a pillar of steel and a tower of strength against all the buffets of storm and stress.

Power of Decision

The power of decision when backed up by industry and observation is practically certain to bring success. With constant thinking, fighting and hammering we shall control ourselves develop ourselves and shape ourselves. The final outcome will be real success. Should we fail to achieve results, as we commonly understand them, even then, if we have done our level best, we shall be considered successful men. Why? Because, at any rate we shall be worthy of success. As the old saying has it, "not failure, but low aim, is crime," and true success is always dependent on the ideal we set ourselves, which ought to be high enough to allow for possible failure to reach the heights and yet leave us better men at the end.

I may not reach the heights I seek,
My untried strength may fail me;
Or, half way up the mountain peak
Fierce tempests may assail me.
But though that place I never gain
Herein lies comfort for my pain—
I will be worthy of it.

I may not triumph in success,
Despite my earnest labor;
I may not grasp results that bless
The efforts of my neighbor.
But though my goal I never see
This thought shall ever dwell with me—
I will be worthy of it.

The golden glory of love's light
May never fall on my way;
My path may always lead thru night,
Like some deserted by-way.
But though life's dearest joys I miss
There lies a nameless strength in this—
I will be worthy of it.

University President Against Federal Control of Education

THE onward sweep of federal control, which is one of the most astonishing facts in our history, is the most important question of internal administration before the American people today, Dr. David Kinley told an audience of educators in an address following his installation as president of the University of Illinois recently. The listeners were presidents and deans of most of the important American colleges and universities attending a conference on "The Relation of Federal Government to Education."

Breaks Down State Authority.

"This onward sweep of federal power is breaking down our state authority," President Kinley said. "Are we to allow it to gain control over all the details of local affairs? The invasion by federal authority is admitted. Shall we permit it to extend to the new field of education or new methods which, to many seem sinister in their future influences? Shall we accept the doctrine that we are destined to become a great continental democracy governed in all important public activities from Washington, or shall we try to preserve the local autonomy in communities and states which is necessary to our liberties?

"Education is one of the matters not delegated to the federal government by the constitution. It is a state function.

Reaching Out to Control Education.

"We are on the threshold of a new educational policy and many citizens are raising questions about the wisdom of educational proposals now before congress. The class of educational bills which now attract attention involves a different principle of federal aid than the principle involved by the land grant act of 1862. Under this law the federal government allows the states or institutions to use their own discretion. The more recent Smith-Lever and Smith-Hughes acts, however, involve a principle which is vicious because it tends to undermine local authority in educational matters.

Hitting at Self-Control.

"The provision that the states will match the federal appropriations with equal amounts contains within itself the germ of a power that, when developed, will determine the character and extent of our education. It has in it the possibility of destroying the initiative and independence of every school district in the country.

"Nearly one hundred measures touching on educational matters have been brought before congress in the last two or three years. They range all the way from a bill dealing with German to bills establishing a department of education and providing monetary aid under prescribed conditions."—**Chicago Daily Tribune.**

The Anti-Catholic Motive

An Analysis of the Causes of Organized Hatred Against the Catholic Church.

BY DOMINIC FRANCIS.

THE MASONIC MOTIVE

It may seem a far cry from rabid socialism to so solid and respectable a body of men as the Masonic Fraternity. Yet the connecting link, if one were needed was furnished by **The Menace** of May 13, 1913, in which the following item appeared:

> I have a personal, private message which I wish to convey to every Thirty-second Degree Mason in the United States, who is a subscriber to the Menace at the present time. The information which I propose to furnish will be registered to you free of charge, and it involves nothing that will put you under any obligation to me whatever, but it may prove fortunate for you. I must be convinced that you are a Thirty-second Degree Mason before the information will be given, and it will be necessary for you to enclose in your letter your last dues receipt or other information satisfactory to convince me. Your credentials will be returned with the information, registered. Address me personally.—MARVIN BROWN, Thirty-second Degree, Box 243, Aurora, Mo., Associate Editor The Menace.—**Menace, May 13, 1918.**

This may have been but the indiscretion of a single Mason, but it is by no means the only bridge between the anti-Catholic forces and Masonry, itself sufficiently recognized as an active anti-Catholic organization. We shall see, presently, the real reason that it is so. For the present it will be enough if we examine the ostensible motives, which Masons themselves put forward to explain their attitude towards the Catholic Church.

First of all, they make a great deal over a certain variety of Patriotic appeal. In their later literature they adopt the thesis that the Public School is a distinctively American institution, quite forgetting how recent anything like a general and adequate system of free and compulsory public education is in this country. Few of our greatest patriots from Washington to Roosevelt ever attended the public school. They then make their own the senseless anti-Catholic cry that the Church is opposed to the Public School. They swallow whole the fable that the Catholic Church is un-American, that it is trying to undermine American institutions and enslave the American people. These things, utterly unproven and unprovable, are taken as axioms by the official Masonic publications which have, in recent years become little more than out-and-out anti-Catholic publications.

MASONIC PUBLICATIONS PRIMARILY ANTI-CATHOLIC.

The **New Age**, official organ of the 33rd Degree Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction; the **Crescent**, official organ of the Shriners, the **Trestleboard**, the **Texas Freemason**, the **Masonic Chronicle**, and a host of unofficial masonic papers, fill their columns with abuse of the Catholic Church, and almost all of it is on the score of so-called patriotism.

It is not unusual for individual Masons to deny that their organization is anti-Catholic. It is evident that the subscription lists of such papers as we have mentioned above are not coextensive with the Masonic Fraternity, and that there must be many, good men and true, who are ignorant of the attitude of their Masonic leaders, and the official attitude of the Masonic Order towards their Catholic friends and neighbors. But it is only necessary for such men to open any current issue of any of the official Masonic publications to be disillusioned. A recent number of **The New Age** contained no less than twenty-two anti-Catholic articles, nor were they all on the subjects of patriotism and the public schools; in some of them the RELIGION of Catholics was assailed and ridiculed. But in the main it is the supposed political activity of the Church that is discussed, and discussed in identically the same manner, and often in identically the same words that we are accustomed to find in socialistic and definitely anti-Christian publications. The platforms of the Masons and the Socialists (and it might also be said, of all other anti-Catholic organizations) are in many respects identical. It became known, through the **New York Tribune** a few years ago, that the Masons were backing the notorious "Order of P's" (Pathfinders) which claimed to be constituted of all anti-Catholic organizations. In fact, from

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The Epiphany---Feast of the Reward of Loving Faith

(By the Rev. Bernard X. O'Reilly)

THE feast of the Epiphany which is celebrated on January 6th, by its very name signifies the manifestation of God to His creatures. For several centuries the feast of the Nativity of our Lord was kept on this day. In the year 376 the decree of the Holy See obliged all churches to keep the Nativity on the 25th of December, as it was observed in Rome. This did not deprive the 6th of January of its ancient glory. It was still called the Epiphany and is associated in a particular manner with the manifestation of our Lord to the Magi, who represent the Gentiles.

The Star foretold by Balaam, having risen in the East, the Three Magi are inflamed with the desire of going in search of Him that was to be born King of the Jews. In some mysterious and silent manner the announcement of the glad coming of the King of the Jews is made to these holy men. The divine grace which spoke to their souls met with a faithful and unhesitating response. In the Gospel of Saint Luke we read that the Magi, with simple and fervent eagerness, spoke to Hérod: "We have seen His star in the East and we are come to adore Him."

The story of the Magi is a story of faith. Docile to the Divine inspiration, they left their country, their riches, their homes to follow a Star. The Star goes on before them, marking out the route they were to follow. It meant nothing to them that the journey was filled with danger. They feared not a pilgrimage of weeks or months with all its accompanying fatigue. They were not alarmed at the suspicions which would be aroused in the Roman Empire. The Divine voice told them to go. They went and followed the Star. Their guide leads them to the Holy City. With a courage and conviction that would credit an apostle and martyr, they declared their resolution of going to adore Him. Herod sits restlessly on his throne, plotting murder. The Magi see their beloved Star again in the heavens and follow it until they kneel at the Feet of the King for Whom they have long searched.

They are not scandalized, these happy kings, at the humble dwelling in which they find their Lord. It is not a disappointment after their long journey that He is born in a stable of a poor mother and is only a weak Babe. They understand the mystery. They seem to know that He has humbled Himself and taken unto Himself the miseries of mankind, that He might be like to us in all things save sin. The grace of God triumphed in these faithful men. They fall down before the Babe of Bethlehem; filled with admiration and love they adore Him and offer Him their gifts.

Anti-Catholic Writers Should be More Careful With "Facts"

THE **Alabama Christian Advocate** copies, with evident relish, an article from the **New York Christian Advocate** which is more than usually replete with false statements regarding the Catholic Church. Some of them are too futile to need refutation, but others of them are of interest as showing either the dense ignorance of the writer, or his deliberate purpose to mislead his readers.

Speaking of the opposition of the Roman authorities to the attempt to establish a Methodist college in Rome, the article says: "The treatment accorded the Protestants in Rome by the Vatican is in marked contrast to the tolerance accorded Romanists in America. They came to a nation founded on principles which they opposed and to accomplish the downfall of which the Vatican has connived, and despite their interference in its political affairs they are given freedom of action." To represent Catholics as interlopers in the early history of America is as silly as the oft-repeated but never-proven misrepresentation of them as political intreaguers bent on the destruction of the very American institutions they helped to establish. Does this writer think it a fine thing to parade his ignorance of such names as Lord Baltimore, Charles Carroll, and others who had part in the very beginnings of the nation, to say nothing of the

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ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE SECULAR PRESS.

TWO MORE EXPOSED

William E. Riker and his wife, Lucille, of the Perfect Christian Divine Way Cult, recently indicted by the Grand Jury on charges alleging fraud and immorality, are publishers of the "Enlightener," an anti-Catholic sheet, reeking with the usual A. P. A. calumnies against the Church.—**THE MONITOR.**

PROFITABLE BIGOTRY

The Rev. Harry W. Bowlby, secretary of the Lord's Day alliance, says that the methods of the Anti-Saloon league will be used to bring pressure on legislatures and congress to obtain suppression of amusements, games, travel, distribution of newspapers, etc., on Sunday.

The anti-Saloon league is operated with a large fund, employing many superintendents, secretaries and lobbyists at good salaries. It was natural that the officials would prefer to carry on their activities rather than to return to $800 rural pastorates, where the duties of a minister involve hard work meagerly rewarded in this world's goods.

The arduous, self-sacrificing work of a minister caring for the spiritual, social, and in many instances physical needs of a congregation is outside of remunerative employment. The zealous reformer backed by a large organization and much money may have remunerative employment, and in his effort to impose his will upon communities he enjoys a sense of power.

Reformers do not like to give these opportunities up. They enjoy the exercise of a tyranny which can be so handsomely decorated with moral purposes. So long as there is so much enjoyment in the task they do not care whether their moralistic rule violates the ground principles of liberty. What is pernicious to a free and sound social order is profitable to the extremists who advocate it, and they are moved by considerations arising out of bigotry and egotism.—**Chicago Tribune.**

316 ARE DIVORCED IN THIRTY SECONDS

London—Sir Henry Duke, president of the divorce division, established a record for his court Tuesday by granting 316 decrees of absolute divorce in thirty seconds. He performed the feat by saying:

"The decrees in cases 1 to 316 in today's cause list are made absolute."

Formerly names in each suit were read separately in open court, but owing to the pressure of cases of the kind nowadays there is not time for that formality.—**Milwaukee Sentinel.**

Loyalty is the Foundation of All Organized Endeavor

An Address by Edw. Gill at Holy Name Annual Social, Danville, Pa.

LOYALTY is the underlying principle upon which all human organization is founded; it is that instinct in a man's nature which makes possible the organization of the world, and without which the world would be but the roaming place of an unorganized horde of human beings.

At birth we are all endowed with this characteristic to the highest degree, and it is ours to hold sacred or to permit to grow less as we wisely, or with abandon, make use of that other great, but somewhat dangerous gift free will, and it would seem that this inclination toward loyalty is given us, perhaps, as a counter-acting counter-balancing influence against this same wonderful gift of free will.

Loyalty has its beginning in the home and spreads out through all departments of human organization, reaching the ultimate in the relationship between man and his Maker.

The home depends for its existence on the loyalty of Father and Mother to one another, and on the loyalty of Mother and Children to the governing head of the home, the Father; and, as our Governments, whether local or National, are patterned after the structure of the home so they depend for their existence on the loyalty of man to man and the combined

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Children's School and Playground

CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS.

By "Father Hildebrand."

Christmas Day, the birthday of little Jesus. Dear little Lord we would wish Thee a very Happy Birthday.

Little Babe, how sorry we feel for Thee, having to be born in a chilly, damp, stable, in the dead of a cold, winter night! How we feel that if Thou wert going to be born in America, everybody would throw open to Thy Blessed Mother their well-warmed, comfortable homes. The most exclusive hotels would vie with each other for the honor of Thy Birth. Would some people not notice Thy Birth now, even as then, would callous money-grabbers like the innkeeper at Bethlehem ignore Thee? We like to think not, to hope not, to feel sure not.

Dear little King, how wondrously good of Thee to come on earth, to live, and toil, and die for us; to teach us of Thy Kingdom, and make us heirs thereto, and indicate to us the means to arrive there.

Little King, why should we be made partakers with Thee in a glory everlasting, beyond the grave? Earth has no answer. Dear little King, Thy Mercies are infinite truly. At this Blessed Christmas tide, little King, come and reign within our hearts. Would—with the love of saints and angels—we could truly love Thee.

Dear little Brother, let us rejoice with Thee on this anniversary of Thy Birthday. For since Thou hast given Thy Blessed Mother to us all in the person of St. John, to be our Mother, on Calvary's heights—Thou art indeed our Brother.

Dear little Brother we wish Thee a very Happy Birthday at this Christmastide.

Since that first Christmas when Jesus gave Himself to us, Christmas has always been associated with the giving of gifts. Our friends are remembered in various ways, but there is One that is in danger of being forgotten, and that the One Who should be first remembered—the Babe of Bethlehem.

Now let us make a present of something to Jesus this Christmas. Let us not "go over to Bethlehem" with empty hands. The Wise Men and the shepherds brought their gifts. Shall we be less generous?

Let us find out, each for himself, what it is we have been holding back, and let us make that our Christmas present to Jesus. This way happiness lies. If we have found His yoke has in it something of bitterness it is because we have held something back. Those who lose all find all. A hundred fold is the Promise. We must empty ourselves if we would "taste and see that the Lord is sweet."

THE MESSAGE OF THE WORLD OF THE PRINCE OF PEACE.

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How is it then that He being God the Mighty, and the Prince of Peace, war abounds? The government is upon His shoulder, yet war makes havoc in His world. He, the Ruler, proclaims peace, and man, who is subject, makes war! Is God thwarted?

God Almighty solemnly forbids sin, yet sin abounds. Christ denounces scandal, yet foretells that it will blight the earth. "Woe to the world because of scandals, for it must needs be that scandals come, but nevertheless woe to that man by whom the scandal cometh." (Matt. 18. 7.)

Free to Serve or Sin

God sees fit to rule mankind not by compulsion, but by direction. He leaves man free to serve or sin. He wants our rational and willing service. He directs us what to do for our welfare here and hereafter. We may, if we choose, disregard His authority, but to our detriment. "Destruction is thine own, O Israel, thy help is only in Me." (Is. 13. 19.)

The Prince of Peace announces the inevitableness of war! For peace is "unto men of good will." Good will implies respect for the rights of others. It is the price of peace.

Nations are made up of individuals. Good will must be cultivated by individuals before it can become a national virtue. A nation is what its individual members make it. A government reflects its people. Good will must, therefore, be cultivated by the individual first before it can become a national trait. Good will, in the scriptural sense, is something more than an emotional sentiment of benevolence towards others. It is a virtue, by grace from above, which elevates and strengthens human endeavor to live justly and charitably with others. It is the result of recognizing the law of eternal justice and acting on it.

This is the good will proclaimed at the birth of Christ and which will give peace to men and nations. It is the spirit of Christ permeating mankind. And just in proportion as the principles of Christianity are applied to personal and national life shall we have peace. The principles of Christianity are the principles of divine justice.

The Cause of the Muddle

It is because mankind for some generations past has ignored God in the world that it has come to its worst phase. What a humiliation for the vaunted self-sufficiency of man is the present world muddle!

All of Christ's promises to mankind are conditional. They require man's co-operation. That cooperation is not compulsory. He promises peace. The condition is good will, active good will, on man's part. His teaching and grace give man the help to practice this good will. Christianity enables mankind to rise to a higher level, and to do what ordinarily it is incapable of doing.

Peace is based on justice. Nothing in the world will establish the reign of justice as effectually as Christianity. Human nature is selfish, and selfishness leads to overreaching, and overreaching induces injustice. Christianity is the most powerful antidote for selfishness, consequently the best remedy for injustice, and the greatest preventive of war.

All Must Do Their Part

Hence, we must do our part for peace. The endeavors which the nations of the world are now making for limited disarmament are evidence that the world is sick almost unto death of material force, and that a reaction has set in. It is a move in accordance with Christianity as it is an attempt to substitute right for might. There is no power under heaven so efficacious for right as Christianity.

But to be sure of beneficient results, treaties should be based on His principles and precepts who divinely proclaimed the justice on which all human justice is based. In proportion as Christ is hearkened to in the councils of nations will peace reign on earth. The more that Christianity permeates mankind, the more will good will, which makes for justice and world welfare prevail.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of *good will.*"

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, THE DISCIPLE JESUS LOVED.

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into close intimacy with God. It was his chastity that gave to John the singular privilege at the Last Supper, to tenderly lean his head upon the Breast of his God. He was filled with light and love from their very Fountain.

When Divine Wisdom wished to make known to the world the mystery of the Word and commit to writing those profound secrets as far as mortal pen may write them, the task was committed to Saint John. The chief of the Apostles had been crucified. Paul was beheaded and the rest of the Apostles laid down their lives in testimony of the truths they had been sent to preach to the world, but John was left in the Church. The Lord had spared his Virgin Disciple to write those sublime mysteries which the other Apostles had been commissioned to teach—the Word was God and the Word was made Flesh and dwelt amongst us. Like the eagle that flies into the very face of the sun, Saint John soared up into the very Divinity and gazed upon Him with undazzled eyes. He was fit to do so because his heart and senses were pure and could look into the Uncreated Light. The rays of miraculous light encircled the head of Moses when he had conversed with God. How radiant must have been the face of John when he gazed into the very Revelations of God.

If we would measure the confidence that the Master had in His Beloved Disciple we must stand at the foot of the Cross and hear Him leave into his keeping the most sacred treasure that he possessed on earth, His own Blessed Mother. He did not choose the Angels to protect and console her. When he looked for one that would be to her a second Joseph He saw the Virgin Disciple standing at the foot of the Cross. John was to be in a peculiar sense Mary's son, as Mary was to be John's mother. To Saint Peter Christ left the Church, the mother of men, but to John Christ left the Mother of God. She was to be his own dearest treasure. He was to stand to her in Jesus' stead, while she was to love John, Jesus' friend, as her own son.

In Saint John is fulfilled the word of the Master—Blessed are the clean of heart; for they shall see God. He saw God, was His friend and on His bosom rested his head. The Baptist trembled at having to bend the Head of Jesus under the waters of the Jordan; though Magdalene was assured of pardon by His own lips, assured that her love was perfect, yet she dared not raise her head but kept clinging to His feet; Thomas scarce presumed to obey Him when He bade him to put his finger into His wounded side; in the presence of all the Apostles the Beloved Disciple sat close to Him and rested his head upon His very Heart. But Saint John was not only close to Him in His Humanity. Because his heart was pure he soared like an eagle to the Sun of Justice and fixed his eyes upon the Light inaccessible wherein He dwells eternally with the Father and the Holy Ghost.

SOME PRACTICAL REFLECTIONS ON THE OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS.

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gether. Yet even these, strangely enough, are nowadays keeping Christmas, and this very fact is one of the hopeful signs of the religious times. Even a sentiment which draws men of today to the Manger is to be welcomed, for if men will but come to the Crib, and look, and think, and pray, it will not be long before they will sink to their knees in adoration. For the sight they see there in that lowly stable is too powerful even for the modern intellect, even for the sophisticated "higher critic," yes, even for the dillitante agnostic. For if this Babe be not, verily and indeed, the Son of God, how account for the spread of His Kingdom, the universality of His influence through the ages since Bethlehem, the power of His words and deeds over the hearts of men from that glad morn to this?

No one can ponder, reasonably, on the Christmas message, without seeing that here is something more than a mere ancient idyl of a wayside and lowly birth among an oriental tribe of long ago. And more than this—there is something so compelling, so infinitely alluring about it all, that whether we wish it or not, the grace and strength of it lays hold on us and brings us to our knees as little children. And when any of us, old or young, Catholic or Protestant, kneels there at the Crib, with childlike heart, moved to love and faith, we are not far from the Kingdom of God.

It is well that Catholics, on their way to Mass this morning, may greet their Protestant neighbors on their way to their places of worship. Likely as not they will both hear the ancient strains of "Adeste Fideles" and almost to a certainty the same words will ring in the ears of both, "Peace on Earth to men of good will." So let there be, for today at least, a ceasing of that "strife of tongues" which, alas, the weakness and malice of men make necessary. Let us all strive to fill our hearts with the love of the dear Christchild, and we need not doubt that love for Him will teach us the way to love one another.

HELPLESS TOWARDS HIMSELF HE IS ALL-POWERFUL IN OUR BEHALF.

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ble that beset mankind, for they spare none and beset all of us in our every undertaking. How little they would become and how easy all would seem if we could but learn to trust in God through all, knowing that it is His gentle hand that rules the world.

"Take no thought for thy tomorrow; banish
fear and vague alarms,
Underneath and round about thee are the Everlasting arms."

This great confidence so desirable and so consoling is not to be acquired by a simple resolution or by a single act of the will. It can be got only by long watch over ourselves and constant acts.

These are the thoughts that the Divine Infant would like to impress on our hearts during these days that are especially His, and if we ask Him He will, with the prodigality of a Child, pour out on us the graces needful to make us more and more like Him and more pleasing to His heavenly Father.

BIRTHDAY OF OUR BEST FRIEND.

(Continued from Page One)

born with Christ. The light that dispels the shadows, the cheer that silences gloom, the voices that dry wet eyes, the kind hands that steady and thrill; all spring from the day on which the Son of God arrived from heaven. For Jesus Christ came into this world at this time not as a mere man to live a good life and die a martyr's death, to give example of kindness and human purity, but as the Lamb of God Who came to heal the great open sore of humanity, the sin of the world. And the best of all is that it is for me, for you. As the little girl who used to write the name of her friends in her birthday text book, wrote on December 25, Dear Jesus Christ, and when asked what it meant, replied with flushing face, Jesus is my very best and dearest Friend and His is the nicest birthday of all the year! So may it be with us all."

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25. CHRISTMAS DAY.
26. St. Stephen FIRST MARTYR.
27. St. John, Evangelist.
28. Holy Innocents, MM.
29. St. Thomas a Beket, Bp. M.
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31. St. Sylvester I, P. C.

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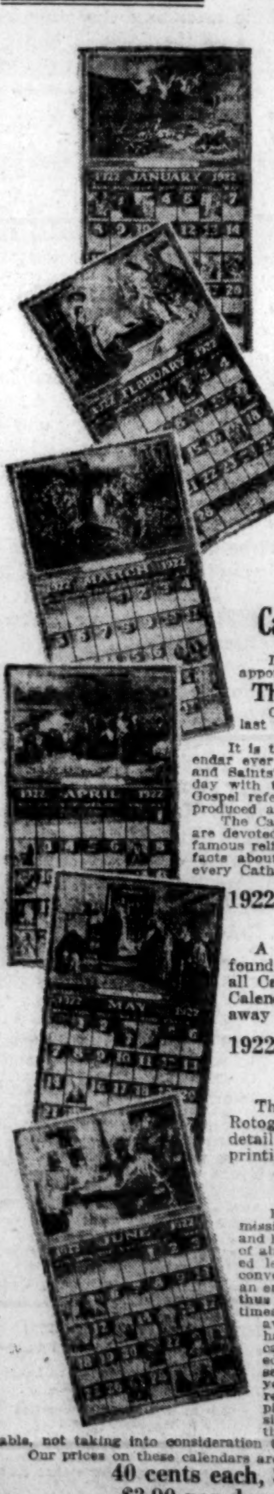

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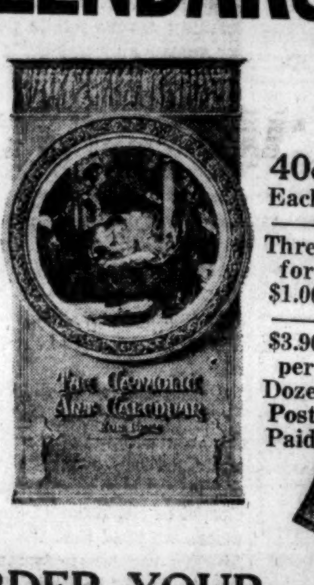

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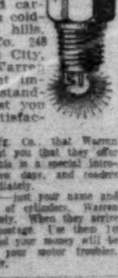

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Have been asked why the Catholics are opposing the "Smith Towner Bill." Will you kindly tell me where I can secure this information?

Catholics do not oppose the Bill because they are Catholics but because they object to the subjection of state rights to federal control. See Pres. Kinley's statement on page 1 of this issue.

Though a non-Catholic I attended Church with a friend and heard the story of St. Dominic and the Rosary. Where is this event supposed to have taken place or is it only a myth?

It is not a myth but a reality. St. Dominic was prompted to use the devotion of the Rosary when eloquent pleading, instruction, etc., failed to touch the hearts of those infected with the Albigensian heresy. St. Dominic therefore used the Rosary for the first time in France.

Is it true that those who make the necessary promises before entering marriage with a Catholic sometimes refuse to allow their wife and children to practice their religion?

Unfortunately it is all too true. Many, who are willing to accede to any agreement before marriage, look lightly on such promises after the marriage ceremony has been performed. Catholics should exercise the greatest care lest an unhappy marriage prevent their fulfilling their obligations to Almighty God.

Our History teacher told us that Queen Elizabeth was very much better in character than Mary Queen of Scots. Was she correct?

An unprejudiced perusal of history will clearly show that this statement is untrue. It would be an insult to Mary Queen of Scots to compare her moral character to that of one whom biased biographers have falsely termed good Queen Bess.

When was the Catholic Church established? A lecturer in one of the non-Catholic churches claimed that there were no Christians from the time of Christ until the time of Constantine.

The Church was established on Pentecost Sunday when, after the Holy Ghost had descended upon the Apostles, St. Peter went forth and preached and 5,000 were converted and baptized.

That Christian communities existed in the first and succeeding centuries, is a matter of history for we find this in the Acts of the Apostles where mention is made that the Christians met daily in the breaking of bread. St. John wrote to the seven Churches of Asia. St. Paul wrote most of his epistles to flourishing Christian churches. The early historians, both Christian and pagan, bear testimony to the fact that Christianity was in a flourishing condition within a very short time after the death of Christ. The Christians were persecuted with ten general persecutions before the conversion of Constantine, these persecutions extending over a period of practically two and one-half centuries. If there had been no Christian Church there need not have been any persecution, yet thousands upon thousands of martyrs evidenced their faith in Christ with their own blood. Truly Christianity flourished long before Constantine and Christianity and Catholicity mean one and the same for the Catholic Church having the marks of unity, holiness, catholicity and apostolicity alone can trace her history back to the glorious days of Christianity in the first centuries.

A Mason friend of mine told me that a Catholic girl who roomed at his house was married by a Protestant minister, and that the girl's aunts insisted that she was now living in sin. How could he help believing that the Catholic Church does not recognize Protestant marriages? My friend also says that he never could understand the attitude of the Catholic Church towards the Prohibition Amendment. Why do the clergy argue that it is opposed to man's personal liberty?

You make the blunder of passing judgment on the Church for the ignorance and folly of some of its members. You make the same mistake when you tell why your Mason friend should have the wrong impression about the Catholic Church and her teachings. This man is not to judge the teaching and practices of the Catholic Church by the conduct of some uninstructed member of the Church. The Catholic Church has her official teachings, and they are clearly stated in hundreds of Catholic books, which are easily procurable. The Catholic Church passes no judgment whatsoever on the marriage of two non-Catholics. She regards such a marriage as valid and as binding until death. When there is question of marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic the matter is different, because the marriage contract is inseparable from the sacramental character of marriage, as it is in the Church. The Catholic Church believing that marriage is a Sacrament, rightly insists that it be performed by one who alone is authorized to administer Sacraments.

There is absolutely no excuse for an official organ or any organ of Masonry, or of one of the Protestant religions, to mistake Catholic teaching. They would not excuse us if we misstated their teaching. Everyone should try to be as fair as he can when speaking about an institution, and data concerning such institutions are easily found.

You make the same error in mistaking the priest for the Church.

If you will take the trouble of looking up the decree of the last Plenary Council of Baltimore, you will find what is the expressed teaching of the Catholic hierarchy in this country concerning the drink evil. Today there should not be a drink evil, because Prohibition, whether one believes in it or not, is law. No priest would want a return of the old-time saloon, and no priest would want his young men to have the bar as a rendezvous place, but this does not mean that when we look at the matter philosophically, that Prohibition is right. When the clergy speak of it being an infringement on personal liberty, they are only holding what our enemies would hold if they were consistent, because they are ever maintaining that the Catholic Church opposes liberty of thought and action, while they stand for personal liberty.

D. I. F.—A valid Catholic marriage requires, besides the contracting parties, a priest and at least two witnesses.

T. D. S. F.—It is very wrong.

C. L. S.—She has no just claim.

Anxious Mae—Admit the mistake.

H. M. G.—The Catholic ceremonly, only, is allowed.

B. F. M.—Tell your friend to strive for greater perfection, so as to be more worthy.

Perplexed Indiana—Yes.

C. A. G.—Not unless you intended to deceive.

A. B. C.—It depends upon the reason for dismissal.

E. Y. T.—Such things are not wrong.

Miss Twenty-five—It is quite the proper thing to do.

M. S. V.—Consult the pastor living in your vicinity.

Heartache—It is not wrong if you strive to overcome it.

MY IDEAL OF A LIFE PARTNER.

This Contest will close December 31st. First Prize $50.00; Second Prize $30.00; Third Prize $20.00. Essays limited to 1,500 words. Address Essay Editor, Our Sunday Visitor, Huntington, Indiana. Essays must be written on one side of the paper. They must reach our office on or before Dec. 31st. Each Essay must be signed with the full name and address of the author. This will NOT be published, and is in addition to the "pen-name" if such is used. No manuscripts will be returned. It should be unnecessary to say that men will not be eligible in the ladies contest and vice versa. Make your Essay brief and to the point. Avoid criticism. Remember the subject is the sort of man (or girl) you would wish to have for a life-partner. Don't waste space telling us the sort you DO NOT want! Avoid personalities. It is not necessary to tell about yourself.

NOTE—Our Readers are asked to give marks for each Essay on a basis of per cent. and to send in the coupon on or before January 15, 1922. Prizes will be awarded to the Essays gaining the highest per cent marks.

MY IDEAL OF A LIFE PARTNER

No. 14

Can you beat it! Why that looks exactly like some of grandmother's old magazines. Such a title for a contest! Anyone with any sense knows that we are living so fast and furiously that we don't have "ideals." We don't know what they are. They are lost, together with sentiment and romance, in the generations of the past.

The hour of jazz has chopped off the "I." We have "ideas." We deal in results and facts. I dare anyone to say that "My idea of the material things he can give" is not an up-to-date version. There comes a look of alarm and horror on some faces I see, but it's true just the same. Freedom of the times has brought it about. We are not to blame.

It is no use my trying to explain. No doubt some of the editors of certain popular magazines will treat on the whys and the wherefores in the near future in their usual illuminating and self-satisfied sort of way. But I can give you some first-hand knowledge on this modern idea of a husband right off the bat. Things at home have been rather exciting the last year.

It was during the last Christmas holidays that I astonished the family by coming in from a dinner party with the announcement "Garth and I are engaged."

You just ought to have heard the row. Mother's president of the Women's Voters League, and when things don't suit her, why she goes right after them, straight from the shoulder. Of course she protested vigorously. "I was only seventeen. Both of us had three more years at college. I was too young to know my own mind" and a lot more. But she might just as well have saved her breath. I had been brought up to make my own plans and experiences.

And then—in walked Hal, from the club dance. He's just twenty and quite struck on himself. "You're a peach. Getting your family linked up with those pro-Germans. Everyone knows the old man was watched pretty close during the war. Some idea of a husband I'd say."

Now I was all excited with pent-up feelings, at the wonderful thing that had happened. Garth's words kept ringing through my mind. "We're just built for one another." And then Hal talked like that. I was just furious. I could have kicked him clear to China.

"Hang it, I don't care what you say. Your only jealous that I'm engaged first. Even if his father and mother are pro-German, Garth's just as true an American as you are. And perhaps better. Why he did more work selling bonds than you did in all your military training in camp. Even then you didn't get over. Some idea of a husband? I'd say so. He's mine anyway. He's 'perfectly wonderful.' He's so good looking all the girls are just crazy bout him. Everyone likes him. Besides his parents have plenty of money and he's got his own car."

Through all this Dad had sat quietly smoking his cigarette. But then all of a sudden I found out what Miss Weber meant (she's his private secretary) when she talks about the iron will that's made his such a business success.

"Alright Jane. Engaged you are. But remember no runaway marriages." The tone of voice was one I dared not disobey, and it quieted my excitement a little.

"Cheer up! It mayn't last. If we do get married sometime, and things don't pan out, why I'll get a divorce," and with that parting shot I gathered up my evening wrap and scarf and started for the stairs.

Not long afterward I overheard Dad and Mother talking in the library. "They're nothing but kids. They'll get over it—she will or he will. Don't bother your head. Her idea of a husband is a good one—not the qualities in a man, but what he can give and what there is for the girl to take."

The spring passed and Garth and I were pretty thick after college hours. We came and went to almost everything. Of course I was much elated at catching the most popular fellow in our crowd, and a little superior at being the first one engaged. But other engagements quickly followed ours. Some did not last a month, and after we returned home for the summer holidays Father's words proved true.

For several weeks I passed up Garth's flirtation with a newcomer, Clarice Lewis from the south, with my usual light-heartedness and carelessness. There wasn't anything else to do. But when I saw him hugging and kissing her in the moonlight on the porch of the Yacht Club, it was too much. He was a flirt, perhaps he'd done it with other girls. So I called it off.

Right on the heels of all this Gloria's affair happened. She's my cousin who came last Easter to spend a couple of months with us, until she could decide what she wanted to do. She didn't know whether to coach amateur plays for the clubs and things to make money or open up some sort of a shop, quite exclusive, you know. She's three years older than I am and terribly good-looking. She vamped the fellows, she vamped the girls and she even vamped Scot, our Airedale.

"If ever there's a vamp, you're a hummer," Dad said to her teasing, one evening after dinner, when she was recounting a new conquest. "When does this end? Whose going to be the right one?"

I can just see Gloria standing there, and the flippant little toss of the head with its auburn curls, as she laughingly replied: "He's got to be a sport, Uncle, from beginning to end. Haven't found him yet, but when I do—"

The bell rang and the sentence was left unfinished until one afternoon a few weeks later. Dad and Mother were leaving for a round of golf at the Club, when Gloria and Jack Dearborn rushed in all excitement, Gloria flourishing a brand new platinum wedding ring on her hand.

We thought it was a joke, but we soon found out otherwise. They had got pulled for speeding in some country place, which by accident happened to be the county-seat, and got hauled in before the Justice of the Peace, who had to be summoned from his hang-out at the corner drug store.

"Just thought now's my time. I didn' want to take any chances on losing her, so dared her to marry me."

"Yes," chimed in Gloria, "He dared me to take a leap and I took him up. Some sport isn't he, Uncle," and all out of breath Gloria sank into a chair.

But a quick "Nothing doing" made her jump to her feet. "You've got packing to do if we're to catch the four train for the west. I'll telephone the crowd," and with that the new husband was gone, and Gloria too, to obey orders for the first time in her young life.

There was a silence after the exodus.

And then late Monday night I got a call. "A crowd of 'wild ones' run over your chauffeur a while ago, got him to the hospital. Going to have an operation, sent for his wife. Little hope." For the moment it all seemed so impossible. Why John had just brought us home from the theatre a short time before.

But I knew what Dad and Mother would do if they were here. So I acted for them. Hastily I threw off dressing gown and slippers and donned a street suit. Leaving instructions with the maid I backed the car out of the garage in a hurry.

Alone in a far corner of the dim waiting room of the large hospital I found her. With trembling lips she greeted me "Why Miss Jane! You shouldn't have come at this hour."

"Never mind Mary, I'm going to stay" and I threw an arm around her shoulders and drew her toward a more comfortable chair. Then I turned on the unlighted fixtures.

The seconds seemed hours as we sat there in silence.

Midnight struck.

"Time goes so slow, when one is waiting," she whispered. She was so calm, but behind it all the tragedy was written all over the white face.

"Oh, he can't go. I won't let him. Oh, God, don't take him away," and great sobs shook the slender form. There was nothing to do or say. I just knelt beside her and held her little cold, trembling hands in my warm clasp. One o'clock came. She raised her tear-stained face and leaned over and stroked my hair.

"He's the best husband a woman ever had. I loved and trusted him, and he did the same to me. He was so faithful and dependable, so ambitious, and best of all he was a good father. Yes, all through the years he was all that—and more. We had our ups and downs, and hard times a plenty, and suffering too when the boy died. But John was always the same, yet he had his funny traits and I had a temper, I'll allow.

"Young folks today don't look for those things in a man. But no gold could buy my memory of all the things that made John 'perfect' in my eyes.

"He can die, and they can take him away, but they can't take the memory away from me. He's all mine, now and forever."

The doors of life were opened wide, and she was seeking comfort in her thoughts and words.

There were footsteps in the hall and sweet faced nurse appeared in the doorway. We both looked up. Mary was trembling so she could hardly rise.

"Everything is alright. The operation was a success. I've placed a cot for you in his room, so you can rest."

Quietly I followed them to the elevator, and then slipped away to the car and home.

Those few hours of suffering, those gentle words from an anguished heart with its pending tragedy, opened my eyes to things never thought of before.

Could it be that they made up our grandmother's "Ideal of a husband?"

Whatever the answer, I know now that I want them all in the man I love. Then, after we have walked life's highway together, I will feel, like Mary, "He is the best husband a girl ever had."

GALE GILLBERT.

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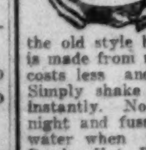

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LOOK IN A GLASS.

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Dearly Beloved Son: Health and Apostolic Benediction! There are two things which, among others, commend to us the Catholic paper Our Sunday Visitor, in editing which you have for many years entirely devoted yourself; the first is the task proposed by you so to spread and explain Catholic doctrine that you might attach Catholics more closely to it, and that you might win over non-Catholics; and secondly, the highly commendatory testimony which we are told this same paper received from Our Predecessor of happy memory, Pius X, and also from other personages of high and indisputable authority.

The one shows you to be a good dispenser of God's mysteries, the other proves that in pursuing this holy undertaking you are following the right path and are laboring with abundant fruit.

Why, therefore, to the praises you have already received should not also be added Our commendation? Indeed, it pleases us to do so in order, if need be, to encourage you in the race you are running. We bestow upon you the Apostolic Benediction to strengthen by the help of Divine grace your ardent zeal and those whom you have as helpers in this work.

Given at Rome, at St. Peter's, the eleventh day of March, 1917, the third year of Our Pontificate. BENEDICT XV, Pope.

Apostolic Delegation, 1811 Biltmore St., Washington, D. C., April 27, 1913.
The nature of your work tends to supply, in a popular and practical way, the religious needs of both the Catholics and non-Catholics.
With pleasure I congratulate you on this good work and express my hopes that your success will continue to increase.
With best wishes I am, sincerely yours in Xto.,
✠ JOHN BONZANO, Archbishop of Melitene, Apostolic Delegate.

Dear Rev. Father: Fort Wayne, Indiana, March 29, 1912.
Your work of bringing home to our people the better knowledge of the teachings of the Church, and of informing non-Catholics of the claims of Holy Mother Church, is truly an apostolic work, worthy of the highest commendation and encouragement.
Devotedly yours in Domino,
✠ H. J. ALERDING, Bishop of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

May the year 1922 be freighted with blessings, spiritual and temporal, for all the subscribers and readers of Our Sunday Visitor.....

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

Thoughtful people cannot help feeling solemn as one year draws to a close and another dawns. What unexpected things occurred during the year 1921, and what unlooked-for happenings will accompany the year 1922!

In one respect every year is much like the other, and food for solemn thinking is suggested by the fact that at least 36,000,000 of us will be summoned to the bar of judgment in the year 1922—100,000 a day, more than 70 each minute.

This solemn thinking also suggests us to get down on our knees and thank the Almighty that we were not included in the 36,000,000 called from life this last year. It suggests that those who have unduly grieved over the loss of relatives during the year just closing, should desist and become reconciled to the will of God, because the grim reaper visits more than 4,000 every hour.

Since it were strange if deaths in our own home were not less than ten years apart, we should pray that our family be protected during the year 1922, and resolve that we shall try to merit such protection by making the year most fruitful unto our own salvation, as well as unto the glorification of God.

WHY SUCH FALSEHOODS?

Writing from Mexico a Baptist missionary says:

"It must be said that the standards of that great institution, the Catholic Church, in Mexico, have not been the same as in the United States. Here it has been a monopoly, while in the States it has had competition, and has progressed accordingly. In the States it has been liberal, while here, for centuries, it has been narrow and was the dominant power. In the States it did not interfere with the Government and its policies, while here it was the Government. Viceroys and Presidents have assumed power solely by the sanction and assistance of the Church, and the moment they began to think and act for themselves they have been overthrown, and in most cases executed and a new puppet placed in power. For years the revenue of the Church exceeded that of the Government.

"It has been estimated that when Cortez came to this land, Mexico had a population of 37,000,000. After three hundred years of Spanish rule, or, rather, of Church rule, Mexico, instead of having at least 150,000,000 people, had a scant 6,000,000; and it is not believed that of that number more than four per cent of the population was literate."

We wonder where these missionaries get their information. What reputable book of history tells that the Church is responsible for any decline in population in Mexico? The contrary is true. The Catholic policy, whether in the United States, Mexico or South America, was to let the Indian live, to assist in his civilization, and then to win him to Christ.

The missionary from the United States does not realize that he is leveling a most terrible indictment against his own country, where the dead Indian was regarded as the best Indian. The aborigines of this country, as of Mexico, were Indian; here they were exterminated under Protestant policy; there they were let live under Catholic policy.

When he tells about the influence of the Catholic Church in Mexico he also speaks of what is not true. For nearly three-fourths of a century the Catholic Church has been in schackles. There lives not a Mexican who has seen the Church free under Mexican civil law. The government of Mexico, as of most Latin countries, is not favorable to any form of Christian religion; it is more favorable to infidelity. Protestant ministers are given more encouragement than Catholic bishops and priests by the Mexican civil rulers, not because they favor Protestantism, but because they do favor the shattering of the peoples' faith, and this is being done by the propagation of religious teaching which conflicts with what they had always believed.

The wealth of the Church in Mexico is also a fable. Most parish priests, outside the big cities, live practically in one room with the most meagre furnishings. One Protestant parish in New York City possesses property more valuable than all the Catholic Church property in Mexico combined.

The missionary, from whom we quote, admits that the work carried on by the Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, is not so successful from a religious viewpoint as it is from a social standpoint. He speaks of the hospitals conducted by these denominations, and particularly of the Baptist hospital in the city of Puebla, whose surgeon is employed by the Baptist institution, who performs on an average four major operations a day—mostly for the poor people without any charge.

This is grand service to the lowly, but to offer it to them as a price for the abandonment of the religion of their fathers, is certainly not praiseworthy. The end does not justify even such good means. Sometime ago it was announced that every Mexican convert, even the child who does not stick, costs the Episcopalian $1,400.00. Experience of more than fifty years in Latin countries should lead the Protestant sects to abandon their efforts as futile. It is true that by their schools and social service institutions they help the people for this world, but religion is for the next. Lead the people to believe that the Church exists principally to help them in a material way, and the real purpose of the gospel is thwarted. The unlettered Mexican has a simple faith, the kind which Jesus praised, and if he had to choose between retaining this or to give it up in favor of culture, his eternal welfare were more secure by choosing the former.

Building Fund—Last Week's Receipts—$312.75

Readers Speak to Readers

Tyler, Texas, Dec. 11, 1921.
Our Sunday Visitor,
Huntington, Ind.

Gentlemen: We run short of papers nearly every Sunday, so I must increase my order.

I believe OUR SUNDAY VISITOR is the strongest force and most vital "LIVING" organ that the Catholic Church has in America today, because it is simple and plain, and in it you always find a presentation of cold facts. To fair-minded non-Catholics it is more especially interesting because it does not assume an antagonistic tone. Thanks to your good judgment you have always maintained a simple, understandable, reasonable and friendly view on all matters; and this is the only way under Heaven that our separated brethren can be interested. That you may live long and prosper under this policy already so well established is the wish of

Very cordially yours,
J. J. R.

Fort Dodge, Ia., Dec. 15, 1921.
Rev. R. E. Kelly, Associate Editor O. S. V.,
Huntington, Ind.
Rev. Dear Father:

I have just read from your pen WORTHY OF RECOGNITION, and most heartily subscribe to the sentiment. Msgr. Noll and his creation, OUR SUNDAY VISITOR, deserve recognition, and from none more than from the clergy of this country. I dare to assert that after the parish school the priest's most efficient aid in the instruction of the people is OUR SUNDAY VISITOR.

OUR SUNDAY VISITOR ought to have its own home; and I am quite sure that the priests of this country need only to have this project clearly brought before them to see that it is done, and done quickly. Give this matter prominence in each issue of O. S. V., communicate by a circular letter with the priests. It is a gracious recognition of a good priest's great work in God's service; it is, at the same time, a means of enlarging and making more effective that work.

Enclosed please find my check, $20 for The Home.

Sincerely yours,
JAMES A. GRIFFIN.

Mayfield, Ky., Oct. 21, 1921.
Editor of Western Recorder.

Dear Sir:—In your issue of your paper yesterday in "Editorial Paragraphs" I find concerning anonymous letter writers the following: "Perhaps they do not realize that their act is akin to that of the assassin, who slays his victim from behind a tree at the roadside, without giving him a chance."

Why did you not consider the above words true of the so-called ex-priest whom you, perhaps, paid a goodly sum for his three articles of falsehood you published against the Catholic Church in May and June and let him hide his name behind the Western Recorder while he proceeded to try to slay his victim?

Not only did you let him hide behind the Western Recorder, but you gave an excuse for hiding him, viz.: that if his name was known to Catholics he might suffer harm, and you vouched for his character.

Did Catholics harm Fresenborg, or Chiniquy, or Slattery, or Culleton, or Crowley, or any other ex-priest, except to publish, maybe, why they were excommunicated? Did they harm the so-called Father Ruthven of A. P. A. infamy, except to prove that he was a notorious fraud and an ex-convict, but never a priest?

If your ex-priest will come from behind your pretended-to-be religious paper we may find him also to be an ex-convict, but never a priest. And if he is a character assassin, are not you an accessory to his act?

You speak of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania condemning the wholesale, unlawful appropriations to sectarian institutions.

Never a dollar has been paid to sectarian institutions of Pennsylvania or of any other state except for services rendered to the state, but after the services have been rendered a bigoted set of judges decide that the state had no right to employ sectarian institutions to do work for the state. It would be as just to construe or pass a law that no member of a religious organization could be employed by the state.

Suppose you find out how much, if any, was paid by the War Department in 1918 to the one hundred and fifty Sisters of Catholic religious orders who went to Camp Taylor and nursed the soldiers, sick with the "flu," and then publish the facts in your paper. And if you find that they did receive pay, bring suit to make them refund the money. That is your idea of appropriations for sectarian institutions. Then you say: "Every earnest Christian and patriot ought to read at least one reliable and responsible anti-Catholic patriotic paper."

But there can be no such a thing as a reliable and responsible anti-Catholic patriotic paper.

That there are reliable and responsible and patriotic Protestants, I am glad to affirm.

This government was established by the best and the bravest Catholic and Protestant soldiers and statesmen in all the world.

On every battlefield Catholic and Protestant blood flowed freely together. In wars to maintain our free institutions such has ever been.

Never a Catholic traitor and but few Protestant ones. No Catholic denies the patriotism of Protestants nor their sincerity in religion.

But an anti-Catholic writer or lecturer can not be either reliable, or religious, or patriotic.

He can not be reliable, because, whether he is ignorant or malicious, his falsehoods have the same effect. He can not be religious because his purpose is ever to create hatred in the hearts of his hearers or readers toward their Catholic neighbors.

He can not be a patriot, because he is doing all in his power to destroy the Constitution he professes to love. Our Constitution provides that no religious test shall be required for office. The anti-Catholic ignores the Constitution and requires a religious test.

One of the reasons given in the preamble for establishing the Constitution was "To insure Domestic Tranquility." The anti-Catholic ignores that and strives to create domestic discord and enmity. And all for the sake of filthy lucre.

The anti-Catholic writer, and lecturer, are anti-American, anti-Christian and anti-everything that is good and noble.

They are ever ready to commit perjury by taking the oath of office, if they can get one, to support the Constitution they are trying so hard to destroy. They are murderers because they incite to murder. The murderer of Father Heslin in California and the murderer of Father Coyle at Birmingham, Ala., were readers of anti-Catholic papers. Every anti-Catholic editor and lecturer in the United States is an accessory to those two murders and was glad when the deeds were done. The murder of Father Heslin was committed in a true American community and the murderer must pay the penalty of his crime by spending the rest of his life in the penitentiary, unless some anti-Catholic gets the power to turn him out.

The murder of Father Coyle was committed in an anti-Catholic city and the murderer only indicted for second-degree murder and the murderer has been acquitted by an anti-Catholic court and jury; but the blood of that innocent, defenceless priest will cry to Heaven for vengeance.

I hope you are not anti-Catholic in the sense of those I have described, but you proved your inability to speak concerning things Catholic when you wrote in your article on Immigration that the Catholic hierarchy of the United States was not worthy of the respect of any patriotic American. Cardinal Gibbons was then living, and he was honored and respected by honorable men and women of all creeds (except anti-Catholic) as well as by eminent churchmen and statesmen.

There are nearly one hundred Bishops, Archbishops and Cardinals of the Catholic hierarchy in America. Can you not be specific and name one who has committed some crime to prove his unworthiness?

Every anti-Catholic Baptist is false to the principles of his church, the principles of Civil and Religious Liberty. You accuse the Catholic Church of being a religious-political organization, but "Our Sunday Visitor" offers you $1,000 for proof of such. You speak of the fight of Roman Catholics against religious liberty. If you knew history you would know that Catholics first established religious liberty on American soil in Maryland.

The Baptists later established in Rhode Island on the principle of religious liberty, did then as a majority do now, excepted Catholics.

If you knew current events, you would know that in every Catholic country and in every Catholic community in the world where Catholics are in control of the government there is religious liberty, and there is peace. Only in anti-Catholic states like Ulster, and Georgia, Florida, Arkansas and Alabama, is there persecution and only in anti-Catholic communities like Belfast and Birmingham is a citizen denied the protection of the law because of his religion.

You may not be anti-Catholic, but if you give space in your paper to their propaganda and recommend their publications, their works will be part of your "works" that "will follow" you.

Catholics not only know their rights but they know their duties; and they will maintain the one and fulfill the other. They will not be akin to "assassins who hide behind trees" nor akin to those who hide the names of assassins.

They will not use the liquid-fire of Calumny, nor poison gas of Falsehood. They will not use sixteen-inch guns except in extraordinary circumstances but will meet the opposition of liquid-fire and poison gas with the hand grenades of facts.

We have the record of all the ex-priests from Novatus, who was the first anti-Pope, to Martin Luther, who was excommunicated in 1521 and who gave Philip the Landgrave of Hesse an indulgence to have two wives at the same time in 1540.

Then we have the record of all from Luther to Jeremiah Crowley, who was in recent years excommunicated by the Bishop of Peoria, Ill., for drunkenness and immorality and who fell into the arms of anti-Catholics.

We have the record of all the anti-Catholic traitors and agitators from Benedict Arnold, who betrayed his country for British gold, to Tom Watson, who when convicted of slandering the Catholic institutions of his state, as well as the courts, turns then and makes false charges against your President and mine, President Harding, who, though a Baptist, is every fiber of his mind a Christian, and every inch a man, and a patriot and whose shoes Tom Watson is not worthy to loose.

We just hand out the facts when we are attacked. If you are not anti-Catholic in the sense that you would deny us the rights of citizenship, if you want your people to know the truth about Catholic activities, learn the facts about the work of the Sisters in nursing the soldiers, sick with the "flu" at Camp Taylor and how much they received and then publish the facts.

Learn the facts about the work of the priests and Sisters at the leper home in Louisiana, and on Molokai, and how much they received for their work, and then if you object to that much being paid for that much work to a sectarian institution, guarantee to the government that you will go with a sufficient number of competent nurses and do the work cheaper and give the sufferers equal loving care.

I do not know whether the Sisters at Camp Taylor were remunerated by the Government or not. The soldiers know they did the Government a service.

I feel that I know that Sister Jean, who soon contracted the "flu" while nursing the sick soldiers and died, received from her Redeemer the "Crown of Life" for her faith, her patriotic service and her Christian charity.

The Catholic Church has nothing to fear from an honest presentation of facts.

As to the Catholic Church, why not follow the advice of Gamaliel: "If this work be of men, it will come to naught. But if it be of God, you can not overthrow it, lest perhaps you be found even to fight against God."—Acts 5: 34-39.

Is not nearly nineteen hundred years long enough a test? As regards Baptist churches, the Catholic Church follows the advice of Gamaliel implicitly.

Search all the libraries you may wish and you can not find as much anti-Baptist literature written by a Catholic priest as there is anti-Catholic charges contained under your "Editorial Paragraphs."

Why the difference?

Though there is so much anti-Catholic venom in many Baptist sermons, and Baptist publications, we are glad to know that there are many Baptist ministers who, though not of us, preach in Jesus' name. Mathew 9:37.

Jesus said: "He that is not against you is for you."

We know that many Baptist preachers are not against Christ, neither are they against the Catholic Church, but only against what they believe the Church to be.

We are glad to know that among Baptist people there are many "other sheep" that in the final Judgment day will be in the "One Fold" and under "One Shepherd."

I believe all your Baptist readers would rather have the truth about the Catholic Church than to have falsehood, and as we have nothing to fear from the Truth, I give you my permission to publish this article.

Yours,
H. T. DURLIN.

"Mrs. Henry Viane of this city told me about what Whole Grain Wheat had done for her. I have a new born baby, and up until the time I began eating Whole Grain Wheat I was unable to nurse my baby at all, but since I have been eating your food my baby is getting so much better. Mrs. Viane has been kind enough to let me have a half dozen cans, so both she and I are nearly out. You will find enclosed $7.20 for which please send me four doz. tins. Please rush this order as I only have a couple of tins left and I will be unable to nurse my baby as soon as this is gone.—Mrs. Arthur Thompson, Lansing, Mich."

From Denver, our agent, Mr. Langfield, writes: "One of my customers (a nursing mother) states that she tried to find something to produce more milk and after other remedies failed, Whole Grain Wheat proved successful."

Dr. M. T. Huber of Waterford, Wis., writes: "A few weeks ago, I persuaded a friend of mine, Mr. A. H. Lewnau, of this city, to send for a case of Whole Grain Wheat. His wife had insufficient nurse for her young baby and was constipated. Since using Whole Grain Wheat she has nurse in plenty, and her baby is now doing fine."

From Washington, D. C., Miss Hume writes: "Please send 12 tins of Whole Grain Wheat; am enclosing $2.00. I say it is the best food I know and recommend it to every one. A very frail, delicate woman told me she had gained five pounds since she began to use it, in less than a month's time.

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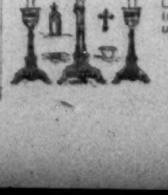

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